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In re Application of
RESIAK, Bernard et al
Application No.: 10/536,455
PCT No.: PCT/FR2003/003516
Int. Filing Date: 27 November 2003
Priority Date: 27 November 2002
Attorney's Docket No.: Q87902
For: READY-USE LOW-CARBON STEEL
MECHANICAL COMPONENT FOR
PLASTIC DEFORMATION AND
METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME

DECISION

This application is before the Office of PCT Legal Administration for matters arising under 35 U.S.C. 371.

BACKGROUND

On 25 May 2005, applicants filed papers to enter the national stage of PCT/FR2003/003516 using docket number Q87902 which was accompanied by, *inter alia*, fees to enter the national stage and authorization to charge any additional fees or credit any fees to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. This application was given U.S. application number 10/536,455.

On 27 May 2005, a duplicate national stage application for PCT/FR2003/003516 using docket number Q87815 was filed by the same firm. Applicants paid fees in the amount of \$1,000.00 for this application. The U.S. application number was denoted as 10/536,769.

DISCUSSION

As is evident from the above recited facts, two sets of papers to enter the national stage were submitted for international application PCT/FR2003/003516. The end result for an international application designating the United States of America is a single U.S. national stage application.

Therefore, the submission of two sets of national stage papers to enter the United States was improper.

CONCLUSION

Both applications will be merged into one national stage application for PCT/FR2003/003516.

Applicants are advised that U.S. application No. 10/536,769 is no longer a valid U.S. National stage application.

Applicants must use only U.S. application No. **10/536,455** for all correspondence to the national stage application of PCT/FR2003/003516. The attorney docket number is Q87902.

The fees paid in U.S. application No. 10/528,609 have been credited back to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

This application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Division of the Office of PCT Operations for continued processing.



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